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Report of Malenkov's Death 25X1C10b

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1. Upon my return from Switzerland by air on 28 June 1953, I met a Swiss Army officer named Baumann, who spoke no English, and I, therefore, assisted him in his conversations. During the course of the flight, he mentioned that he had been in Bern, Switzerland on 26 June 1953 and implied that he had talked to officials of the Swiss Intelligence who had told him that there had been a violent internal struggle in the Politbureau, and that Malenkov had been liquidated three weeks ago.

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2. He had no further details, but he appears to be well connected with Swiss governmental circles and has a high regard for the ability of Swiss Intelligence. 25X1A2q

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